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Amendments to the Claims

Please amend the claims without prejudice, as follows and consider the subsequent remarks. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application (irrespective of whether the claims remain under examination in the application) are presented below and the amendment to the claims is expressed in the listing.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently amended) A lighting system having a reduced danger of fire hazard achieved by reducing the operating temperature of the system, comprising:

a housing;

a plurality of halogen light bulb units generally uniformly spaced within the housing;

and

a shield connected to the housing, for inhibiting access to the plurality of halogen light bulb units from above, the shield positioned such that the plurality of halogen light bulb units are between the shield and the housing, ~~the plurality of halogen bulbs and the shield configured such that the temperature of the shield on a surface opposite the plurality of halogen bulbs stays below 500°F ; and~~

a switch for commonly switching the plurality of halogen light bulb units;

wherein the plurality of halogen bulbs are configured such that the temperature of the shield on a surface opposite the plurality of halogen bulbs stays below a temperature that would ignite a flammable material.
2. (Original) The lighting system from claim 1, further comprising a vent area for venting heated air from the housing.
3. (Previously Presented) The lighting system from claim 1, further comprising a heat sensor placed within the housing, for shutting off the plurality of halogen light bulb units at a threshold temperature.